MAYOR & COUNCIL AGENDA COVER SHEET

MEETING DATE:

January 16, 2007

CALL TO PODIUM:

Tim Smith

Parks, Recreation and Culture

RESPONSIBLE STAFF:

Tim Smith
Youth Services Director
Parks, Recreation and Culture

AGENDA ITEM:

(please check one)

	Presentation	
	Proclamation/Certificate	
	Appointment	
	Public Hearing	
	Historic District	
X	Consent Item	
	Ordinance	
	Resolution	
	Policy Discussion	
	Work Session Discussion Item	
	Other:	

PUBLIC HEARING HISTORY:

(Please complete this section if agenda item is a public hearing)

TITLE:

Resolution of the Mayor and City Council Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute a Contract for Consulting Services for the Gaithersburg Bikeway Plan (\$26,000)

SUPPORTING BACKGROUND:

Staff from the Department of Parks Recreation and Culture and the Planning and Code Administration have been coordinating with the Bike and Pedestrian Committee on the City's Bike and Pathway plan to be incorporated into the Transportation Element of the City's Master Plan.

During discussions with BPAC, staff has determined that a comprehensive inventory, study and analysis of existing bikeways are necessary in order to make specific recommendations for future bikeway and pedestrian connections.

Staff has received a proposal from Toole Design Group to conduct a comprehensive inventory, create a GIS database and identify future needs. Toole Design Group recently completed similar studies for the City of Rockville, Montgomery County and has consulted on bikeway plans for the cities of Seattle, Winston-Salem and Washington D.C.

Consulting services would include a project kick off with City staff and BPAC, the creation of a GIS database, field data collection and identification of future bikeway needs.

DESIRED OUTCOME:

Vote on Resolution

RESOLUTION NO.	

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF GAITHERSBURG AUTORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE GAITHERSBURG BIKEWAY PLAN

WHEREAS, the City desires to provide recreation amenities that are available to the citizens and residents of the City of Gaithersburg; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to provide a bike pathway system that is both enjoyable and safe for participants; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to promote Smart Growth and reduce automobile dependence through the implementation of the Bikeways and Pedestrian Master Plan:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of Gaithersburg, that the City Manager be and he hereby is authorized to award a contract for consulting services to Toole Design Group 6525 Belcrest Road, Suite 400 Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$26,000); said funds to be expended from the Capital Improvements Budget.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council this 16th day of January 2007.

SIDNEY A. KATZ, MAYOR and President of the Council

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council in public meeting assembled on the 16th day of January 2007.

David B. Humpton, City Manager